IN RE: PELVIC MESH/GYNECARE LITIGATION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY AUG 24 2016

LAW DIVISION: BERGEN COUNTELLE L. HARZ

CASE NO. 291

MASTER DOCKET NO.: BER-L-11575-14

CIVIL ACTION

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER #30

All prior orders remain in full force and effect except as modified by this Order.

THIS MATTER having been reassigned to the Bergen County Vicinage, from Atlantic County, pursuant to the Supreme Court's Order of October 31, 2014; the Court having conducted a Case Management Conference; counsel appearing; for good cause shown and for the reasons set forth on the record;

IT IS on this 24th day of August 2016, ORDERED as follows:

PART I

- I. ORDERS ENTERED SINCE LAST CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
 - A. Case Management Order #29 entered on July 20, 2016

PART II

- II. COMPLIANCE WITH PRIOR ORDERS
 - 1. N/A

PART III

- III. CASE MANAGEMENT
 - A. TVT-O Core Discovery Cases
 - 1. <u>Smith</u> The Parties have agreed on a Pre-Trial Scheduling Order and shall submit it to the Court forthwith. Discovery shall continue in anticipation of a trial scheduled for January 9, 2017.

B. TVT Secur Core Discovery Cases

- 1. The Parties shall continue to meet and confer regarding Core Discovery cases of <u>Cook</u>, <u>Nelson</u> and <u>Sheppard</u>.
- 2. The Parties shall continue to meet and confer regarding briefing on Plaintiffs' motion for multi-plaintiff trial.

C. Mixed-Ethicon Product Cases

1. The Parties shall meet and confer to select Mixed-Product Core Discovery Cases.

D. Miscellaneous

1. <u>Percia v. Ethicon</u> BER-L-9279-15 / <u>Percia v. Hackensack Medical Center, et al.</u>, BER-L-2192-15. The motion to consolidate the existing malpractice action with the mesh litigation matter is adjourned to September 16, 2016.

PART IV

IV. GENERAL

- 1. The next Case Management is scheduled for September 29, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 359. Liaison Counsel shall report at 9:30 a.m. Counsel shall submit a proposed agenda seven (7) days prior to this Case Management Conference.
- 2. By consent of all parties, the court may contact or be contacted on an *ex parte* basis regarding settlement issues <u>only</u>.
- 3. The court may, from time to time, conduct phone conferences with defense counsel and liaison counsel.
- 4. Subject to agreement by and between counsel and with permission from the Court, counsel is permitted to appear telephonically; in order to have your appearance on the record, it is counsel's responsibility to e-mail liaison counsel and the court reporter at least one hour before the proceeding with your name, firm, and party representing, indicating that you intend to appear by phone; in addition you must confirm you appearance, immediately following the proceeding. Absent the above, counsel's appearance will not be noted.
- 5. The official record shall be the transcript provided by the court reporter retained by counsel. The reporter shall preserve all proceedings and shall email a transcript of any court proceeding to the court within 14 days of the proceeding.
- 6. Counsel is permitted to serve one motion with a schedule of attached cases for *pro hac* admission. However, a separate order per case/docket number and filing fees is required.

- 7. The Court directs all counsel to \underline{R} .1:4-8 and expects all counsel to abide by the parameters set forth therein.
- 8. All Court proceedings will start at the designated scheduled time. Counsel is expected to arrive promptly for these proceedings.
- 9. Counsel shall provide the Court with their preferred e-mail address by e-mailing same to Jamie Colaneri at Jamie.Colaneri@njcourts.gov and Yeon Ji Lee at Yeon-Ji.Lee@njcourts.gov.
- 10. Counsel shall copy their co-counsel and all adversaries on all e-mails and other electronic correspondence submitted to the Court [COUNSEL IS PROHIBITED FROM FILING ANY PLEADING ELECTRONICALLY]. Any such submission received after 4:30 p.m. will be deemed received at 9:00 a.m. on the next day Court is in session. Any such submission received after 4:30 p.m. on a Friday or over a weekend, will be deemed received on 9:00 a.m. on the next day Court is in session.
- 11. Counsel is directed to contact The Superior Court of New Jersey, Attorneys Accounts: P.O. Box 980, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 W. Market Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625 (609) 633-8643 to establish a collateral account for any filing fees within seven (7) days.
- 12. Counsel is required to check the Judiciary's Web Site dedicated to this matter for any decisions/Orders/information contained therein.
- 13. A copy of this Order and any subsequent Orders to the Court will be posted on the Judiciary Web Site.

RACHELLE L. HARZ, J.S.C.